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## 24-HOUR REPORT

**13 MAY 2020**

### (U) CALIFORNIA

#### (U) Roseville – Two Men Arrested After Illegal Marijuana Grow Found In Roseville Home

(U) Two men have been arrested in Roseville, accused of being connected to a large-scale marijuana growing operation at a residential home. Police were alerted to the operation on 7 May after a utility worker noticed that a home was using 16 times the amount of electricity for a home its size and that the home's electrical box showed signs of tampering, according to a Roseville Police Department statement. Inside the home, officers found a large-scale marijuana growing operation. They confiscated 762 mature marijuana plants, growing lights, and air filtration systems.

SOURCE: 11 May 2020, [CBS Sacramento](#)

### (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

#### (U) Arizona - Agents Seize Methamphetamine and Arrest Subjects with Outstanding Warrants

(U) Yuma – On 9 May, Yuma Sector Border Patrol agents working at an immigration checkpoint encountered three subjects, two with outstanding state warrants, attempting to transport methamphetamine. Agents responded to a Border Patrol canine alert on a vehicle occupied by three individuals, all US citizens, and sent the vehicle for a secondary inspection. A subsequent search of the vehicle revealed an orange cooler in the rear cargo area. Inside the cooler, agents discovered three small packages of methamphetamine concealed under ice and soft drinks. The three packages of methamphetamine weighed approximately 1.14 kilograms.

SOURCE: 12 May 2020, [CBP](#)

#### (U) Arizona – Yuma Sector Agents Arrest Cocaine Smugglers

(U) Yuma – Yuma Sector Border Patrol agents working at an a Checkpoint encountered a vehicle with two subjects, both with extensive criminal histories, attempting to transport cocaine on 9 May. Agents pulled the car over for a secondary inspection, and discovered both occupants were body carriers concealing packages of cocaine under their clothing as well as in a purse. Both subjects were arrested on controlled substance charges, and the vehicle and drugs were seized.

SOURCE: 12 May 2020, [CBP](#)

#### (U) Texas – Officers Seize Hard Narcotics Worth Over \$1.3 Million

(U) Laredo – US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at the Juarez-Lincoln Bridge intercepted hard narcotics totaling \$1.3 million in street value. The seizure occurred on 10 May when a CBP officer referred a vehicle for a secondary inspection. Following a canine and non-intrusive imaging system examination, CBP officers discovered a total of 48 packages weighing 68.69 pounds of alleged methamphetamine concealed within the vehicle.

SOURCE: 12 May 2020, [CBP](#)

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**UNCLASSIFIED****(U) NATIONAL****(U) District of Columbia – US Cybersecurity Exposes Three New Strains of North Korean Malware**

(U) Washington – Three new North Korean malware strains have been exposed by US cybersecurity experts. These new strains have been used by hackers sponsored by the North Korean government to attack various targets over the world. The three new malware strains recently announced are called COPPERHEDGE, PEBBLEDASH, and TAINTEDSCRIBE. The US Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency published advisories for the three new malware strains. By publishing easily available information on North Korean malware strains, the private and public sectors could get prepared and deploy detection rules to block these malware attacks.

SOURCE: 13 May 2020, [International Business Times](#)

**(U) INTERNATIONAL****(U) Niger – 75 Boko Haram Insurgents Killed in Border-Region Security Operations**

(U) Niamey – Nigerien and allied forces from neighboring states killed 75 Boko Haram insurgents in security operations earlier this week in the region where the borders of Niger, Nigeria and Chad converge, Niger's defense ministry said. The Boko Haram insurgency erupted in northeastern Nigeria in 2009 and continues to fight on, with attacks frequently spilling over into Chad, Niger and Cameroon a little further to the south. The operations on 11 May followed a series of Boko Haram attacks on military positions near the southeastern Nigerien border town of Diffa, the ministry said in a statement.

SOURCE: 12 May 2020, [Reuters](#)

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